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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

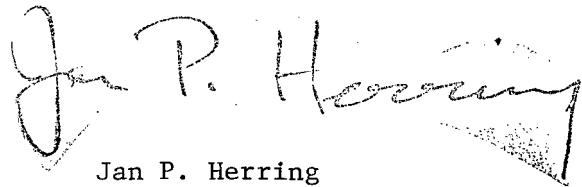
THROUGH : Chairman, National Intelligence Council

FROM : Jan P. Herring
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SUBJECT : National Research Council Study on International
Competitiveness in Advanced Technology

1. I attended the National Research Council's preview of the subject report last night. (Copy attached) The reason for your being unable to attend was conveyed. A list of the guests is also attached.

2. A very important subject but a disappointing report. The news release which is attached does a much better job of summing up and presenting the Study Panel's findings and conclusions. The guests' concerns and questions were in search of specific solutions. As all too often is the case, the solutions suggested by an "outsiders" panel seem to be too general, unaware of the contemporary workings of the Government and too timid regarding the politically sensitive issues such as foreign government targetting practices. It was interesting to note, however, that several panel members addressed this issue much more candidly in person than the report did. Bob Charpie, Cabot Corporation, provided particularly cogent comments and suggestions regarding the issue. The report is at best a primer on the problem; it is absent both good data and analysis. Furthermore, other than one briefing given to the Panel by a Japanese official from MITI, the Study's efforts to obtain an understanding of the foreign perspective on international competitiveness seems to have been relegated to the panel members and other Americans -- not the most authentic sources for such information. These misgivings aside, it is a start and I urged Frank Press and several panel members to extend this effort abroad hoping that their dialogue would do something to help both the US and our foreign allies understand the serious nature of the trade competitiveness issue surrounding the high technology industrial sectors.



Jan P. Herring

Attachments
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